नागर विमानन और पर्यटन मंत्री (श्री माधवराव सिंधिया) : (क), से (ग) विमान जिस पे-लोड पैनाल्टी के साथ कुल्लू के लिये उड़ान भरते हैं उसके कारण किराया अपेक्षाकृत अधिक होता है। किराए का हिसाब विमान को किसी भी स्टेशन के लिए परिचालित करने पर हुए कुल खर्च के आधार पर लगाया जाता है, जिसमें नियत और परिचालन लागत शामिल होती है।

(घ) से (ङ) जी, नहीं। बजटीय कठिनाइयों के कारण किरायों में अधिक सहायता नहीं दी जा सकती है।

Shortage of Pilots in Eastern Region

647. SHRI DINESHBHAI TRIVEDI : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that there is a shortage of Pilots for 737 aircraft in the Eastern region ;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof ;

(c) how much does it cost IAC to get pilots based in other regions at Calcutta for operations of 737 out of Calcutta including their cost of stay ; and

(d) what action Government are taking in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Against the requirement of 11 Commanders for B-737 operations only 2 are available at present.

(c) The annual expenditure on hotel accommodation and additional allowances on Indian Airlines pilots posted temporarily at Calcutta is about Rs. 40,00 lakhs.

(d) The matter is pending conciliation before Regional Labour Commissioner at Bombay.

Construction of Way Side Motel-cum-Restaurant at Nalbari in Assam

648. SHRI BHANDRESWAR BURAGOHAIN : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state :

(a) what is the present position of the proposed construction of the wayside motel-cum-restaurant at Nalbari in Assam ;

(b) whether Government have released the balance amount of Rs. 84,000 for its completion ; and

(c) by when it is likely to be completed ?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) : (a) to (c) The project has ben completed and the balance amount of Rs. 50,000 would be released on receipt of land transfer document, which is pre-requisite for such projects.

Charter Facilities for Foreign Tourist

649. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 1778 given in the Rajya Sabha on 10th March, 1992 and state :

(a) what is the number of foreign tourist charters who have been given clearance by Government during the past one year so far ; and

(b) what is the number of foreign tourists who came to this country using the charter facility during that period ?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) : (a) 198 tourist charter flights have been cleared during the period 1-5-91 to 30-4-92.

(b) Approximately, 42,639 tourists have visited the country, through tourist charters.

Rush and Chaos Created at Arrival Lounges of Airports

650. SHRI JOHN F. FERNANDES : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware of rush and chaos created at the arrival

lounges of different Airports by the Hotel Representatives in order to solicit customers which causes inconvenience to tourists and general passengers ;

(b) if so, whether Government have taken any action ; and

(c) what remedial steps Government contemplate in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) : (a) to (c) As a matter of policy, Government has been making all efforts to remove irritants with the help of State Governments, Air Authorities and other related agencies in order to facilitate the tourists on arrival. Besides, the complaints received from tourists about harrassment and inconvenience are looked into in the Department of Tourism and are taken up with concerned agencies for remedial measures.

Yatri Niwas in Goa

651. SHRI JOHN F. FERNANDES : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have any proposal to extend the Yatri Niwas network in the country ;

(b) if so, how many such Yatri Niwas and other I.T.D.C. hotels are sanctioned for Goa, as Goa is one of the International Tourist Destination ; and

(c) whether top priority will be given to have I.T.D.C. hotel/resorts in Goa, as Goa does not have any such hotel ?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yatri Niwas at Panaji was sanctioned during the Seventh Five Year Plan.

(c) The ITDC has no programme to set up a hotel or resort in Goa.

Upgradation of Food Craft Institute Guwahati

652. SHRI BHADRESWAR BURA GOHAIN : Will the Minister of CIV AVIATION AND TOURISM be please to state :

(a) whether there is any proposal unde Government's consideration for upgrad tion of the Food Craft Institute at Guwa hati ;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and

(c) whether Government are aware tha the present site of the Institute is not all feasible for expansion of the Institute

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATIO AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRA SCINDIA) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Memorandum Given by Employees Unio of I.T.D.C.

653. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATIC AND TOURISM be pleased to refer to th reply to Unstarred Question 2876 given the Rajya Sabha on 17th March, 1992 an state :

(a) whether the Memorandum of D mands/Grievances given by the Employe Union was examined by Government far ; and

(b) if so, what has been the reaction Government/I.T.D.C. Management on eac of the points mentioned therein, alongwit the action taken on each of them so far ?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATIC AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRA SCINDIA) : (a) Yes, Sir. The memo randum of 27-1-1992 has been examine by I.T.D.C./Government.

(b) Necessary corrective action has bee suggested on the points which have bee found justified.